

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Wu et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1652

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Examiner: S. Swope

For: Protease with Improved Stability in Detergents

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Applicants enclose an Amendment Filed with Request for Continued Examination.
2. Applicants enclose a Supplemental Declaration of Dr. Jürgen Knötzel under 37 CFR 1.132.
3. Applicants request that the time for response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2011 be extended for a period of three (3) months from July 14, 2011 up to and including October 14, 2011.
4. All required fees were charged to Novozymes North America, Inc.'s Deposit Account No. 50-1701 at the time of electronic filing. The USPTO is authorized to charge this Deposit Account should any additional fees be due.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: October 13, 2011

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